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Inquiry: I am starting a home care division of a laboratory company and found that most home health agencies would like us to perform an ABG & COOX together for the obvious reasons... I would like to know where the Respiratory Care Board stands on this matter and if you know what the future is regarding ABG & COOX.

Response: The above-mentioned procedures are not verbatim from the Respiratory Care Practice Act (RCPA) but, in the RCB's judgment, are highly inferred and allowed.

The performance of these procedures should be conducted in accordance with a respiratory care protocol, as defined in Section 3702 of the RCPA.

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